

Land & Water Conservation Committee (LWCC)

Minutes

August 3, 2011

Call to order:

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. Committee members Walt Christensen, Greg Torres, Carlton Zentner and Scott Zimmerman were also present. The Jefferson County Highway Committee and the Jefferson County Infrastructure Committee were also present at this joint meeting.

Roll call (establish a quorum):

A quorum was established.

Certification of compliance with the Open Meetings Law:

It was determined that the committee was in compliance with the Open Meetings Law.

Discussion and possible action on the proposed Highway Department location on the county farm at the Joint Committee Meeting.

A lengthy discussion was held regarding the proposed Highway Department location on the county farm or various other sites in Jefferson County.

Burow moved and Torres seconded that in the event that the County Board approves building a new highway shop on county owned land, I make a motion that prior to the start of construction of a new county highway shop facility on county owned land, that the public and elected officials be informed of the undeveloped and potential developed values of the land, and the estimated loss of Jefferson County tax dollars over the next 20 years. Motion will be sent to the County Board. Motion carried, 5/0.

Zimmerman moved and Christensen seconded to approve site A. Motion failed, 2/3.

Christensen moved and Zentner seconded to hold on to our Barrientos reports for reference and then, fund multiple independent competing companies or qualified individuals to develop creative plans to use Puerner or other industrial sites which would meet essential needs of a highway department facility. Motion will be sent to the County Board. Motion carried, 3/2.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m. Next meeting tentatively set for August 17, 2011.